



Some Notes

RAISING A DANGEROUS QUESTION.

BY CRUX.

OME time last March the New York "Sun" published...

THE CONSTITUTION. — What is said of the Constitution of the United States may be equally said of all other constitutions...

A DANGEROUS QUESTION.—The constitutional aspect of the issue before this made clear, we find that the "Sun" falls back upon the plea, that "it raises a dangerous question."

MR. WEBBER'S LETTER.—There are several exceedingly important points raised in this letter, signed by C. A. Webber, of Brooklyn.

This point he develops more fully later on. Then, having expressed admiration for the American educational system, he wishes to point out the paramount danger that it contains...

EXPULSION OF GOD AND MORALS.—Thus he pictures the unenviable position of the American State education system in the presence of the entire world.

WHAT IS THE RESULT?—This is decidedly a pertinent question. If parents are relieved by the State of the duty of teaching their children, and if no morals and religion are taught in the State schools...

CONFIDENCE IN OUR LADY.—At no time in the history of the Church have the shrines of Our Lady been so frequented and honored as they are to-day.

IRRELIGION IN FRANCE.—There is an indictment every word of which is absolutely true, and every phrase of which might be developed to a limitless degree.

France drove her religion out of the schools and still pretends to teach morals. She grinds her teeth in bitterness to-day because her population is melting away before her immorality...

woman who bears the greatest number of sons for her country, no longer exists."

SAVE THE NATION.—The climax of this admirable piece of reasoning is to be found in the following paragraph:—

"Your columns have on several occasions lately contained statistics showing that in parts of this country the birth rate was alarmingly decreasing among others than Catholics, while with them their usual and natural rate continued.

CONCLUSIONS.—I have given too much space to Mr. Webber's letter, or rather to extracts from it, that I have but little left for my own comments.

CONFIDENCE IN OUR LADY.

At no time in the history of the Church have the shrines of Our Lady been so frequented and honored as they are to-day.

Intelligent people who know no more than the externals of our religion, all admire, if they do not feel moved, to imitate this devotion to the Mother of God.

Although Catholics do not depend on the attitude of non-Catholics towards Our Lady for their own devotion to her, still it is gratifying to witness this gradual but sure conversion of sentiment...

her intercession. It is, unfortunately, all too common to hear life-long Catholics say, and that without apparent regret, that they do not feel specially drawn towards the Blessed Virgin.

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